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AIRLINE PASSENGER TRAFFIC UP 1.6% IN JULY

WASHINGTON, D.C., August 16, 1989- Airline passenger traffic rose 1.6 percent to 40.4 billion passenger miles in July, and 39.2 million passengers were enplaned, the Air Transport Association reported today.

Domestic revenue passenger miles grew 0.1 percent in July, over the same month last year. Available seat miles decreased 3.0 percent. Passengers decreased 1.2 percent to 35.5 million, while the load factor was 68.4 percent, up from 66.2 percent for July a year ago.

In international service, traffic in July climbed 5.8 percent, and available seat miles rose 8.0 percent. The number of passengers enplaned remained the same as that of last year, and the load factor amounted to 73.5 percent compared to 75.0 percent last year.

For the first seven months of 1989, the revenue passenger miles in domestic and international service were up 1.2 percent to 241.4 billion, and the number of passengers declined 1.9 percent to 247.5 million from 252.3 million for the same period last year. Available seat miles increased 0.1 percent, and the load factor was 63.4 percent versus 62.8 percent last year.

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PRELIMINARY PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

JULY 1989 - 1988

	JULY			YEAR TO DATE		
	1988	1989	PERCENT CHANGE	1988	1989	PERCENT CHANGE
DOMESTIC						
PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS (000)	35,906	35,474	(1.2)	232,520	226,970	(2.4)
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	29,614,634	29,654,658	0.1	186,968,319	184,493,320	(1.3)
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	44,716,218	43,354,353	(3.0)	302,631,157	294,487,042	(2.7)
LOAD FACTOR (%)	66.2	68.4		61.8	62.6	
INTERNATIONAL						
PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS (000)	3,679	3,680	0.0	19,736	20,531	4.0
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	10,204,162	10,793,110	5.8	51,635,407	56,884,228	10.2
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	13,600,290	14,683,131	8.0	77,562,830	86,245,962	11.2
LOAD FACTOR (%)	75.0	73.5		66.6	66.0	
TOTAL						
PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS (000)	39,585	39,154	(1.1)	252,256	247,501	(1.9)
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	39,818,796	40,447,768	1.6	238,603,726	241,377,548	1.2
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	58,316,508	58,037,484	(0.5)	380,193,987	380,733,004	0.1
LOAD FACTOR (%)	68.3	69.7		62.8	63.4	

CARRIERS INCLUDED: AMERICAN, CONTINENTAL, DELTA, EASTERN, NORTHWEST, PAN AM, PIEDMONT, TRANS WORLD, UNITED, USAIR, ALASKA, ALOHA, BRANIFF, HAWAIIAN, MIDWAY, PSA, AND SOUTHWEST.

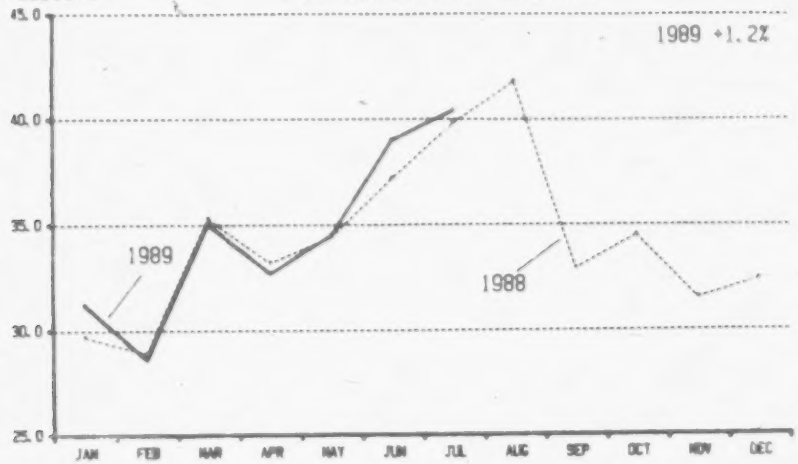
Note: Eastern July numbers are estimated

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULED PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
SYSTEM OPERATIONS

MONTH	REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	LOAD FACTOR	ENPLANEMENTS (000)
1988				
January	29,650,442	52,927,211	56.0	31,186
February	28,942,984	50,163,135	57.7	32,050
March	35,326,656	54,786,969	64.5	38,811
April	33,240,219	53,065,878	62.6	35,866
May	34,381,529	55,049,442	62.5	36,737
June	37,243,100	55,884,844	66.6	38,021
July	39,818,796	58,316,508	68.3	39,585
August	41,847,510	58,916,983	71.0	41,439
September	32,888,970	54,398,532	60.5	33,914
October	34,468,706	55,507,544	62.1	36,519
November	31,506,302	52,723,437	59.8	34,695
December	32,434,239	55,695,092	58.2	34,230
TOTAL 1988	411,749,453	657,435,575	62.6	433,053
Jan - July 1988	238,603,726	380,193,987	62.8	252,256
1989				
January	31,232,713	55,596,547	56.2	32,150
February	28,509,774	50,122,031	56.9	30,610
March	35,013,709	53,796,842	65.1	37,237
April	32,657,967	52,468,698	62.2	33,993
May	34,457,457	54,919,755	62.7	35,908
June	39,058,160	55,791,647	70.0	38,449
July	40,447,768	58,037,484	69.7	39,154
TOTAL 1989	241,377,548	380,733,004	63.4	247,501

	PERCENT CHANGE		
	REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	ENPLANEMENTS (000)
1989/1988			
July	1.6	-0.5	-1.1
Jan - July	1.2	0.1	-1.9

PASSENGER TRAFFIC
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES



CAPACITY
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES

LOADFACTOR
PERCENT OF CAPACITY UTILIZED
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES